## **Featured Topics**

- Annual Newsletter 2023/24 With the annual rates notice, Council
  includes a newsletter which includes some highlights from the year just
  gone and plans for the next year. If you missed it, or aren't a rate payer,
  download it here.
- <u>Australia Day 2024 Award Winners Announced</u> Blayney Shire Council
  hosted the 2024 Australia Day Awards at Heritage Park, Blayney. The day
  commenced with a free BBQ community breakfast, followed by the
  Citizenship and Awards Ceremony in the amphitheatre.
- Australia Day Ambassador announced for 2024 Our 2024 Australia Day Ambassador this year is Ron Delezio. Co-Founder & Co-Director of Day of Difference Foundation, Ron Delezio came to be publicly known after his daughter Sophie was involved in two catastrophic accidents in December 2003 and subsequently in May 2005.
- A-Z Waste and Recycling Guide Not sure what items go in which bin?
  The A-Z waste info sheet includes a fairly comprehensive list of
  everything accepted in each of Blayney's bins, as well as alternative
  disposal options such as the Blayney Waste Facility.
- Council to Proceed with Special Rate Variation Application Media
  Release 24 January 2024 Blayney Shire Council at the ordinary council
  meeting held on the 23 January 2024 has resolved to submit an
  application for a Special Rate Variation (SRV) of 10% per annum for 3
  consecutive years to the NSW Independent Pricing and Regulatory
  Tribunal (IPART). At the meeting, Council was presented with a
  Community Awareness and Engagement Report following the 35 days of
  community engagement over November December 2023.
- <u>Council Update</u> With the cooler weather fast approaching, this is a
  timely reminder for all of us who use wood heaters to warm our homes. If
  you don't buy-in firewood and rely on collecting firewood, please be
  aware you may only collect firewood on private property with permission
  of the landowner.
- EOIs Open for additional pre-approved Road Names We are looking to